

## 250,000 REPORTED DEAD IN NAZI POLAND

Mrs. Jack A. Goodman  
Reports Texas Women  
Active In Hadassah

Just returned from a month-long speaking tour for Hadassah and Youth Aliyah which took her through every section of Eastern Texas, Mrs. Jack A. Goodman this week counted up the visible results and decided they far out-weighted the fatigue resulting from such an arduous schedule.

Making one and two communities a day was a regular problem, and much of her trip was on crowded buses and slow trains. But large towns or small communities, rich or poor, the interest in the work of Hadassah and Youth Aliyah was remarkable, Mrs. Goodman reported. From the "first families" of the Lone Star state to the rank and file, the Jewish women of Texas are enthusiastic and hard workers.

Member of the National Board of Hadassah and of the National Committee of Youth Aliyah, Mrs. Goodman reported that her tour resulted in many new memberships to Hadassah. Especially important was the fact that a large number of individual sponsorships and minyanim were formed for Youth Aliyah, groups of ten women who agree to give 5 cents each for two years. The money thus raised takes care of the training and education of a child and settlement in Palestine.

Mrs. Goodman was one of the headlined speakers at the banquet in connection with the Regional Conference of Hadassah and the Zionists in Fort Worth on November 20.

Her tour took her to Dallas on Nov. 22 to 25, inclusive; Wichita Falls on Nov. 26; Waco on Nov. 27; Austin on Nov. 28, and San Antonio, Nov. 29 to Dec. 2, inclusive. From there she went on Corpus Christi on Dec. 3, Houston on Dec. 4 and 5, Wharton on Dec. 6, Galveston and Beaumont on Dec. 7, Tyler on Dec. 8 and 9, Kilgore and Overton on Dec. 10, Longview on Dec. 11.

Mrs. Goodman made a return appearance in Fort Worth on Dec. 12 and Dallas on Dec. 13. She was in St. Louis on Dec. 14 and returned to Indianapolis Dec. 16.

## BATON TO REFUGEE

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
TEL AVIV.—George Singer, young Czech Jewish refugee conductor, who formerly conducted opera at Prague, Hamburg and Bremen, has been engaged to conduct the next concert of the Palestine Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra, which is composed almost entirely of refugee musicians, will mark on Dec. 26 the third anniversary of its first performance.

Jews Disappointed  
In Rule of Soviet

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
NEW YORK—Scia Tomara, New York Herald Tribune correspondent, in a Bucharest dispatch quoted refugees as stating that even Ukrainians and Jews who had welcomed the Soviet entry into Poland were now "deeply disillusioned" because they were being ousted from State positions and many Jews were losing their positions as traders.

"The Jews who had at first obtained jobs in the new administration have, according to all reports, lost their main livelihood with the Sovietization of trade," the dispatch said. "Many of them had lived as middle man, but the creation of cooperatives and Sovtorgs deprived them of their earnings. The refugees now say that a common anti-Soviet front has been created among the Poles, Ukrainians and the Jews."

Maurice Samuel Talk  
Open To Community

The general public has been invited to attend a meeting of the Indianapolis Zionist District at Kirshbaum Center at 8 p. m., Thursday, Jan. 4, when Maurice Samuel, noted author and lecturer, will speak.

Mr. Samuel will bring to the Indianapolis audience a background that is the product of a varied and colorful career. By travel and education—he was educated in English and French universities—he is acquainted with the best that has been produced by and about the Jew in Hebrew, German, and English.

British Jewry Elects  
Brodetzky Successor  
To Laski; Unity Urged

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
LONDON—Prof. Selig Brodetzky, noted mathematician and Zionist leader, is the thirty-fifth president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews. He was elected head of the 179-year-old representative organization of British Jewry without opposition to fill the unexpired term of Neville Laski, who resigned.

The board at the same time voted to set up a war-time executive committee empowered to act in its name for the duration of the present emergency.

In a short speech thanking the board for his election, Professor Brodetzky pledged himself to maintain the board's independence, and expressed a whole-hearted desire to achieve unity in the ranks of British Jewry. He made it clear that, while he was a Zionist and a member of the Zionist Executive, by conviction he considered it the primary function of the board's president to conduct the affairs of the board with due regard to the views of all sections.

The board, in unanimously adopting a resolution thanking Mr. Laski for his "tireless services in behalf of Jewry," gave the retiring president an ovation.

Laski, in his valedictory address, thanked his colleagues for their support, referred to his association with the board twenty-seven years, described the problems facing the organization today, urged reforms to make the board more representative of the community, and expressed opposition to proposed affiliation of the board with the World Jewish Congress, but advised discussion with congress representatives on the separate functions of each body.

Acting to place itself on a war footing, the board adopted an amendment to its constitution permitting election of an executive committee, whose functions and powers "shall cease at termination of the present war." The amendment specifies that the committee can include a maximum of three

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## Succeeds Laski



SELIG BRODETSKY

B'nai B'rith Election  
Next Thursday Night

The Indianapolis Lodge of B'nai B'rith will meet at 8 p. m., Thursday, at Kirshbaum Center to elect officers for a six-month term.

The nominating committee has nominated all officers for re-election, with the exception of one trustee. Urging a full attendance, officers pointed out that nominations may be made from the floor.

A.Z.A. Of South Bend  
Elects New Officers

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Irving Friedman was elected, Sunday, as president of St. Joseph Valley chapter, No. 92, Aleph Zadik Aleph, to succeed Alexander Wolvos. The election was held under the direction of the advisory board, composed of Ben Weinstein, Melvin Tomber, and Burton Weinstein.

Other new officers are James Linderman, vice president; Seymour Reisman, treasurer; Harvey Keleman, sergeant-at-arms; Abraham Berebitsky, assistant sergeant-at-arms; Dave Jacobowitz, chaplain; and Leonard Pryweller, reporter. Arthur Weiss will continue as secretary. Installation ceremonies will take place Sunday, Jan. 14.

On Thursday night the chapter met to complete plans for participation in the district convention in Columbus, Ohio, which opens on Saturday.

"The End of a Decade"  
Rabbi Goldblatt's Topic

Rabbi Maurice Goldblatt of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation will have as his subject Friday evening, "The End of a Decade." Services will begin, as usual, at 8 p. m. Hosts for the social hour, which will follow, are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baernkopf, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Bloom, and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Falender.

## YOUTHS MAKE PLANS

Plans for the Jamboree to be held Feb. 4, were discussed at the meeting of the Jewish Youth Central Council last Thursday night at Kirshbaum. Committees for the event were also appointed.

Executions, Disease,  
Starvation Take Toll;  
Million Are Beggars

By BORIS SMOLAR

JTA Chief European Correspondent  
PARIS—An estimated 250,000 Jews have been wiped out by military operations, executions, disease and starvation in Nazi Poland, the World Jewish Congress charged in a "Jewish White Book." The document, which records anti-Jewish barbarism since the outbreak of the war, is accompanied by five pages of documentary evidence. The 15-page record contains the darkest narration ever known in Jewish history.

## Reds Avert Pogroms

The White Book reveals for the first time, among other things, that after the Munich bomb attempt on Chancellor Hitler's life, the Nazi leaders completed plans for large-scale anti-Jewish pogroms throughout the Reich, but suddenly cancelled them upon the advice of the Soviet Ambassador. Other charges contained in the document are:

(1) More than 500 Jews are still under arrest in Germany in connection with the Munich blast;

(2) Numerous Jews in the old Reich have been imprisoned in concentration camps and executed since hostilities began;

(3) All Palestinian citizens in Germany have been imprisoned and their families interned in a Berlin hotel, where they are being provided with food by the American Embassy;

(4) Jews are prohibited from appearing in the streets after 8 p. m.;

(5) The food situation for Jews in Germany has become catastrophic as they are forbidden to acquire certain foods which may still be bought without ration cards by non-Jews;

(6) Danzig Jews are forbidden to appear on the streets after midday and have been ordered to leave the city by Jan. 1, 1940;

(7) Jews in Vienna are given three-day prison terms as "mild punishment" for appearing on the streets after 4 p. m.;

(8) Austrian police are systematically raiding street cars, buses, and automobiles in a hunt for Jews;

(9) Jews in Bohemia and Moravia are forbidden to appear on the streets after noon; a ban on their use of street cars was rescinded when the Czech population demonstrated its sympathy by boycotting that mode of transportation.

## Bombs Rain Death

The White Book also charges that Jews seeking to emigrate from the "protectorate" are forced to fill out 15 questionnaires and are

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Rabbi Charry To Pay  
Tribute To Davidson

Rabbi Elias Charry of Beth El Temple will pay tribute to the memory of the noted educator, Dr. Israel Davidson, when he has as his sermon topic this Friday evening, "A Great Jew Died This Year." Cantor Myro Glass and the choir will furnish the music.

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Death of Heywood Broun Heavy Blow  
To Cause of Tolerance, Human Rights

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
NEW YORK—Heywood Broun, noted newspaper columnist and founder of the American Newspaper Guild, who died Monday of pneumonia and complications at the age of 51, was one of the most outspoken campaigners against racial and religious hatred.

In recent years Broun had devoted increasing attention to prejudice, frequently discussing the issue in his column and calling for a positive stand in defense of human rights. Last June he announced at his home in Stamford, Conn., that he would run for Congress on a platform in which "I shall stress religious and racial tolerance."

A new edition of "Christians Only," an attack on anti-Jewish prejudice which Broun wrote in

collaboration with George Britt, was understood to have been in preparation for publication this fall.

The last column in which Broun discussed anti-Semitism appeared on Nov. 21. A campaign for tolerance was not enough in the fight against racism and mounting prejudice, he said. "The time has come for non-Jews to testify out of their hearts, out of history and out of their own religious faith that the world stands in debt to the past and present achievements of Jewry."

His column on the S.S. St. Louis incident last June 15 was considered a classic. With deep feeling he compared the plight of the refugees on the ship to passengers on a vessel flashing an SOS to indicate danger.

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## A Jew Looks at Jesus

With her first book written in America ready for January publication, Marie Clements, who in real life is Mrs. Martin Perley, wife of the head of the Indiana U. Hillel Foundation, has here set down a comprehensive review of Sholem Asch's "The Nazarene." Mrs. Perley, a native of Australia, has several novels to her credit already.

By MARIE CLEMENTS PERLEY

HISTORY has produced no more provocative figure than that of Jesus of Nazareth, the humble Jew born of humble parents nearly two thousand years ago in a small village of Galilee. A Jew by birth and training, his only mentor the Torah of Israel, disciple of Hillel who reinterpreted the writ of Abraham and Moses according to the needs of his oppressed generation.

Yet this same Jesus, the lowly Nazarene, viewed through the lens of history is seen as the turning point in world civilization. His advent created a new epoch, and his power and influence have long since passed beyond the realms of estimate. For after his death the road that he trod forked and split, the Jews continuing their chosen way of monotheism as taught by the prophets, while those who hailed Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah forged a new trail, declared a new doctrine, and developed new spheres of influence that quickly spread to the nethermost corners of the earth.

As the new cult was strengthened and gained converts, a series of myths began to accumulate about the figure of Jesus, myths that were primarily designed to substantiate his deification and set him apart from the world of mortals, but most of all to separate him from the people from whose loins he had sprung.

To this end grew up the untenable legend of the immaculate conception, and still further the miraculous idea of the resurrection and ascension into heaven. In a short time Jesus, the God and motif of the new Christianity, had shed all identity as the teacher and Rabbi of Israel. His very Jewishness was erased by the mass of phantasmagoria that surrounded him.

The humble people of Jerusalem, the down-trodden masses that followed at his heel, and sat at his feet absorbing the words of hope and liberation that fell from his lips, were traduced through the distorted lens of the new theologians as the devouring mob, the marauding herd that tortured and crucified their God.

### Still Teach Jews to Blame

Unfortunately time has not diminished this gross misconception. Indeed the centuries have only added to the gravity and horror that was attributed to the Jews of Jerusalem, and today the charge persists in its entirety and is yet being taught to every child throughout the Christian world—a legend without any historical substance that is calculated to instill hate and fan the flame of anti-semitism in the breast of every malleable infant that hears it.

There were Gods in plenty before the advent of Jesus, just as there have been divine mirages since, but none of these has proved the same source of inspiration to artists, writers, and historians as has the figure of the Nazarene.

Each century and country, wherever in fact the gospel of Christianity has penetrated, have fashioned unto themselves varying conceptions and portraits of the Christian motif.

In the picture galleries of Europe there are an astounding array of opposite conceptions of the same

theme. The Scandinavian countries, for instance, exhibit an abundance of Nordic-looking Christs painted with blue eyes and bright golden hair.

A Jesus, in short who identifies himself as a God product of their own particular kind. Just as the Latin painters have produced a more sallow and attenuated idea of the same figure.

Writers no less than painters have contributed their share, and volume upon volume crowd the shelves of literature, masses of material explaining and expounding, each man according to his time and culture. But withal the many gentile expositions both in picture and word portrait, the Jewish people stand forever indicted. Amid the fabulous array of confusing and unsubstantiated myths they are forced to assume the burden of guilt as the Christ-killers.

Unsubstantiated because historians throughout the centuries of research and surmise have been unable to produce one authentic eyewitness of the tragic fate of Jesus.

From the Jewish viewpoint this is highly significant because a study of this particular era reveals an unprecedented number of scribes among the Jews. The time of Jesus was a time when Israel doted on recording, when even the minutest detail relating to Jewish affairs was vouchsafed to script. The historical archives of Judea possess a wealth of material, yet among the unlimited records, only the briefest mention is made of "Yeshua-Ben-Joseph of Nazareth." There is nothing at all that identifies him as a powerful influence or a magnetic force, and more important still no evidence whatsoever concerning the crucifixion.

### Novel Employs Reincarnation

It is, then, with something surpassing respect that we hail Sholem Asch's latest book, "The Nazarene," a volume in which the author has set himself the task of recreating the period in which Jesus is purported to have lived.

"The Nazarene" is described as a novel based on the life of Christ. This, in short, it is. But the power and significance does not rest in the fictional element, but in the assaying of the historical period. For in recreating the scene of Judea, Sholem Asch has descended into the abyss of time and ransacked the archives of history from which he has brought forth new and illuminating threads with which to rediscover the befogged story of Jesus.

In writing his novel, Sholem Asch has employed an original method, that of reincarnation. The story opens in Warsaw and we find ourselves regarding an old emaciated man, one Pan Viodomsky, a once-famous professor whose entire life has been dedicated to the study of ancient languages and cultures. When we discover him his prestige is at a low ebb. Too many of his much publicized research manuscripts have been proved forgeries. Today he stands discredited by student and public alike. Even his vitriolic anti-semitic articles, once assured of an eager press, are now rejected by the editors. For Pan Viodomsky is above all an ardent anti-semitite. The eternal symbol of he

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## To Judge A. Z. A. Essay Contest



LOUIS KRAFT    MRS. JUDITH EPSTEIN    SOHEM ASCH

## Sholem Asch Judge For Essay Contest

**Special**  
WASHINGTON, D. C.—Sholem Asch, world-famous Jewish novelist, whose most recent book, "The Nazarene," has created an international stir, has agreed to serve as a member of the national board of judges for the thirteenth annual English essay contest sponsored by Aleph Zadik Aleph, B'nai B'rith's youth organization, according to an announcement here by Sam Beber, president of the Supreme Advisory Council of A. Z. A.

The other members of the board of judges will be Mrs. Judith Epstein, former national president of Hadassah, the women's Zionist Organization of America, and Louis Kraft, executive director of the Jewish Welfare Board.

"The Jewish Community of Today and Tomorrow" is the subject on which the 10,000 members of Aleph Zadik Aleph in 350 chapters throughout the United States and Canada will write, in competition for regional, district, and national honors in the most widely participated-in Jewish essay contest under national direction.

Last year's winner was Stanley G. Kirsch of Fidelity Chapter, Los Angeles. "What Jewish Dignity Means to Me" was the subject of the 1938 contest.

## Munter's 572 Tops In Bowling Session

Dick Munter, with a high three-game total of 572, led all the bowlers in the B'nai B'rith League last Sunday morning. He was closely followed by Sam Kroot with 567 and Jack Falk with 550.

In the team contests, the A. Z. A. swept their three-game series with the Executives, and moved within one game of first place. The league-leading Presidents won two out of three games from the Monitors, and the Menorahs won two out of three from the Trustees.

The league standing for the week of December 17 follows:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Presidents .....	18	9	.667
A. Z. A. ....	17	10	.630
Executives .....	4	5	.444
Trustees .....	12	15	.444
Menorah .....	9	18	.333
Monitors .....	3	6	.333

The schedule for Sunday:

Alleys  
3 and 4—Monitors vs. Executives  
5 and 6—A. Z. A. vs. Trustees  
7 and 8—Menorah vs. Presidents

### PUBLISHER DEAD

**By Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
BUCHAREST.—Elias Saraga, one of Rumania's most important book publishers, has died at the age of 82.

## New Jewish Boxing Champ Seen As East Side Boy Wins 33

**By Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
**By MORRIS WEINER**

NEW YORK—Another youngster from the slum section is headed for the heights.

He is Maxie Shapiro—young, scrappy possessor of a fighting heart. Though he's been in the professional ring only two years, Maxie is creating quite a rumpus with the old scouts. They're comparing the new hope of Stanton Street to one Leach Cross. Ask you're pop, he'll tell you that mere comparison to the greatest lightweight before Leonard is top-notch praise. Perhaps the praise is a bit impetuous but they're saying Maxie will be the next lightweight champion of the world.

Strange as it seems, Maxie never wanted to be a boxer. He wanted to play big league baseball. And if he ever does wear the lightweight crown he'll have to thank Bill Terry, the caustic manager of the New York Giants, for it.

Because Terry turned him down, Maxie tossed aside the baseball for the boxing glove. He had excelled in Seward Park High School, the alma mater of the slums, as an athlete, but particularly on the diamond. The ambitious young shortstop was looked over by Terry and the latter's verdict was discouraging. Bill told the kid he was too small, that he lacked the weight to have much chance of making the grade as a major league ball player.

### Finishes Strong

The result was that Maxie, who had been having some success as an amateur boxer, took a fling at the sport professionally, making his start in 1937. In his 33 ring appearances as a professional he has gone undefeated and scored 19 knockouts, with his victims hailing from all points of the compass.

Maxie's style is described as a cross between Jimmy Slattery and Bushey Graham, and it is to be said for the new East Side hope that the resemblance to Slattery depends on something more than that he boxes with his hands dangling at his sides. He has one fistic specialty that seems to be his own to a pronounced extent, in that he always seems to find the reserve to fight a little faster than his opponent.

There is also a resemblance to Leach Cross. As with Leach, the fight fans come out in force on the chance of seeing him beaten. Whether this is due, where Maxie is concerned, to his giving an impression that he is over-cocky, or whether the seeming ease with

## Orchestra And Song Group Is Organized By Kirshbaum Center

Organization of the Kirshbaum Center Orchestra and the Center Choral Group, announced this week, will afford an opportunity for member music lovers to receive instruction under skilled leadership. The orchestra, open to all members who play, will be under the direction of Theodore Podnos, member of the violin section of the Indianapolis Symphony.

Rehearsals are to be held weekly, with the first meeting scheduled for 7:30 p. m. Tuesday. Those interested in joining the group are asked to register at Kirshbaum, giving their name and the instrument they play.

For the choral group, a well-trained instructor, Miss Ruby Kerr, has been provided through the Music Division of W.P.A. The group will meet each Monday evening, starting at 7:30 p. m., Monday, January 8. Open to men and women of 16 and over, the group is expected to provide excellent training in group singing.

which he wins is resented, this crowd attitude is strongly in evidence.

With Cross the unpopularity was more readily understandable. Leach was one of the first of the top-notch Jewish boxers in a day when the performers ran mainly to Irish lads, or boys who battled under Irish names, with the result that the following was strongly Irish. Moreover, Leach specialized in a trick which he worked with annoying success. In the midst of a mixup he would suddenly fall back and stagger about as though he had been badly stung. Then, as an opponent dashed in to finish the job, Leach would cast aside the pretense of grogginess and knock the tar out of his rival—usually an Irish standard bearer.

Old timers will recall how, when Leach would put on his act and start to stumble away, the crowd was wont to yell warning to the East Sider's opponent almost as a man: "Look Out! Look Out! Leachy's playing possum!"

Shapiro was born in Stanton Street, 26 years ago. Some fistic sharps are inclined to the opinion that he has come along too late to go places in the ring. Others see in Shapiro the last of the champions moulded in the Ghetto's fiery furnace that produced Leonard, Terris, Singer, Goldstein, and other fighting hearts.

## WHAT THEY HINK

Question: Do you thing the youth of the community is adequately represented in the making of community decisions?

**By MILTON J. FINEBERG**

"Examinations of the offices and governing bodies of the various organizations in the city will reveal that there is a proportionately large number of young Jewish men and women in office. These bodies, in the main, represent individual schools of thought or projects and in their respective spheres are of vital importance.

"To my knowledge there is no council, lodge or organization of any kind in the city which has the authority to speak and act in behalf of the Jewish community in its entirety. When such an agency is organized, it may then

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## FRANKLY SPEAKING

By  
**Pat Frank**  
J. T. A. Washington  
Correspondent

Comes now William Dudley Pelley, the fugitive charlatan, with a solution to what he calls the "Jewish problem," and it may be a good thing for American Jews to examine it, to see for themselves how this Nazi spokesman on this side of the Atlantic has borrowed from Hitler's book of horrors.

Pelley applauds the Lublin "reservation," and then presents this incredible idea:

"Select one city in each American State and prescribe by law that only in that city can the Jew own property, be recognized as a litigant in a court of law, and receive constitutional guarantees of personal and civil safety."

Pelley says that "people by the tens and hundreds of thousands throughout the United States are commencing to think seriously of both segregation and disenfranchisement."

The amazing thing is not that this convicted stock swindler publishes this tripe, but that he has the effrontery to seek something that absolutely controverts the Constitution of the United States and every principle upon which this republic was founded—while at the same time he is "sought" by two government agencies, the state of North Carolina, and the Dies Committee.

We are beginning to wonder exactly how genuine the search for Pelley really is. He's wanted, you know, for violation of his parole in North Carolina, where he was convicted of stock frauds. Since he's a fugitive from justice, the Federal Bureau of Investigation is after him.

It isn't generally known, but the Treasury Department would like to

question him, too. And of course he has been dodging the Dies Committee for some time.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation didn't have a great deal of trouble finding Dillinger, and they would have had less if Dillinger had continued to publish a weekly magazine—and write for it—while he was in hiding. Why don't they grab Pelley? Isn't he Public Nuisance No. 1, and if he isn't, who is?

It is now a well-known fact that while the Dies Committee was exposing Pelley's anti-Semitic machinations, and was reputedly seeking him to place him on the witness stand, Pelley was "hiding out" in the office of a certain well but not favorably known midwest Congressman—within two blocks of the Dies Committee room.

The chances are that Pelley will never be brought before the Dies Committee, because contrary to most predictions a month or two ago, the appropriation for continuance of the committee is not likely to be renewed. . . . Dies' venture in arranging for the appearance of Leon Trotsky down in Texas was strictly a wildcat measure, done without the knowledge of other committee members, who are consequently burning. . . . When Dies asks for new appropriations, the members of his own committee will violently oppose him, believing that he has used the committee for his own self-glorification.

### Arthur Scheer Named By South Bend Lodge

**SPECIAL**  
SOUTH BEND, Ind. — County Prosecutor Arthur F. Scheer is the new president of Louis Sandock lodge here. Other new officers are Samuel Youngerman, vice-president; Harry Zoss, secretary; Joseph Rosenbaum, treasurer, and Oscar Berkowitz and Max Buntman, directors.

**FINED FOR SOUVENIR**  
By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
JERUSALEM. — The District Court fined a Jewish refugee who admitted he tried unsuccessfully to chip a piece of stone from the Walling Wall as a souvenir. The Arab police inspector who appeared to testify against the defendant declared that such acts were likely to cause trouble between Jews and Arabs.

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### A JEW LOOKS (Continued from Page 2)

who hates without reason and argues from instinct rather than justification. To this grim repellent person comes a young Jewish scholar who wishes to exchange a knowledge of Hebrew for Greek. This curious pact is sealed, and a still more curious friendship develops between them. They are drawn together by a deep intuitive knowledge. Through Pan Viodomsky it is revealed that both men are old souls, reincarnations of ancient civilizations, and through them we see the eternal symbols of conflict then as now.

In a burst of confidence Pan Viodomsky makes the startling assertion that he is none less than Ciliarch Cornelius, henchman of Pontius Pilate, and the Jew he maintains is Josephus, a pupil of Rabbi Nicodemus whom he remembers well from the faroff days of Judea.

Through this fascinating medium of reliving and remembering, the present is submerged and gives way to a period of reincarnation, that of Judea in the time of Jesus under Pontius Pilate.

Three times the era of Jesus is retold and each time through the agency of a separate eye-witness. In effect this is faultless craftsmanship since it enables the reader to gain a full and comprehensive picture of events. A tremendous amount of fog is cleared away and the ambushed figure of Jesus is revealed as the logical product of the times, an off-shoot of tyranny and oppression, a spiritual rebel in a phase of iniquity when Judea writhed under the heel of the tyrants. On one hand, the High Priests had defiled the law, and prostituted their sacred charge whilst Rome imposed extortionate taxes, so that between one and the other the common people were robbed of their smallest possessions, trodden underfoot or sold into slavery. Jesus was the natural phenomenon of a religious inspired people, a Rabbi who sought to sustain his flock by fulfilling the Law and re-interpreting it according to the utmost needs of his time.

The first detailed account of Jesus is given by Ciliarch Cornelius and it is here perhaps that Sholem Asch creates the most vivid and colorful picture of Judea. In the narrative of the Roman official the writing lifts time and again into unsurpassed passages of eloquence. Sights, scenes, and smells float before and tantalize the reader. A medium of expression is employed that reflects the influences of Greek and Roman culture, and page after page flows with the heady appreciation of sensuous gratification. Often one feels drugged and captivated with the proximity of potent wines, luscious fruits, fragrant unguents, and sweet instruments. Poverty and the direct squalor are treated no less vividly and Judea pulsates in an alternating pageant of abundance and despair.

Emerging from this kaleidoscopic scene is Jesus, and Cornelius observing him for the first time is attracted in spite of himself. His words are infused with a wisdom hitherto unknown to the Roman.

### Closed Monday

The office of The Post will be closed all day Monday, Dec. 25. Individuals and organizations having news for publication can help the staff by mailing or calling in their copy Tuesday.

His parables are as intriguing as they are provocative. But Cornelius smells danger. The Nazarene is a spell-binder, a magnetic force whose unchecked influence is likely to bring disaster upon the Roman Empire and the High Priests. Reacting from a wave of self hate for his own short moment of obeisance to the Nazarene, Cornelius vows vengeance and sets out to warn the High Priests and wreck Jesus by whatever barbaric means serve him best. In the study of Cornelius the guardian of State and Estate, and in Jesus the Rabbi and reformer, Sholem Asch portrays the endless conflict of the flesh and the spirit.

In the second part of the book the author scales new literary heights, for here the era of Jesus is recorded through the secret document of Judah-Ish-Keriot, the disciple who sold his Master for thirty pieces of silver. Here the manner of expression undergoes a marked change, for while the writing is no less graphic, it affects the circumscribed style of one whose whole pursuit is the writ.

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## Leonard Berkowitz Elected President Of City AZA Chapter

Indianapolis Chapter No. 246 of Aleph Zadeck Aleph, Junior order of B'nai B'rith, Monday night elected Leonard M. Berkowitz president for the coming year, to succeed Walt Sicanoff.

Other officers elected were: vice-president, Joe Rabin; secretary, Milt Strauss; treasurer, Leo Klein; sergeants-at-arms, Paul Drazier, Louis W. Silver; chaplain, Leonard Larman. Mr. Silver was named director of publicity.

Headed by a jug band, approximately twenty-five members of the chapter will attend the winter convention of the Kentucky-Indiana-Ohio district in Columbus, Ohio, this week-end. Official delegates are Mr. Klein, Mr. Larman, Mr. Silver and Bill Weinstein.

At the convention the local group will take part in bowling, basketball, oratory, ping-pong and swimming contests, and will present an invitation asking that the 1940 winter district convention be held here.

Retiring officers expressed their thanks to the Indianapolis B'nai B'rith lodge for its "cooperation and help" in the past year.

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## SOCIETY

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Betrothed Couple

Miss Ruth Ehrlich and Samuel Green, whose marriage will take place Sunday, were the guests of honor at a surprise party last Sunday evening, given by Mrs. Joseph Budnick and Irving Selig at Mrs. Budnick's home. There were thirty guests present, and a buffet supper was served.

Mr. Green was honored by a stag party last Tuesday night at the Riley Hotel, given by his fraternity, Phi Delta Gamma. He was presented with a radio.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Dorman and son Burton Paul, of Chicago, have returned home after spending two weeks with Mrs. Dorman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Berkowitz. Mr. Harold Berkowitz, of Louisville, also visited his parents last week-end, with Mrs. Berkowitz.

Natalie Marcus visited her sister, Mrs. Joseph Simkin, and Mr. Simkin in Anderson, last week-end.

Miss Mildred Kraft has left for a two weeks' visit to Valparaiso, Ind., and Chicago, where she will be the guest of former school friends.

David M. Silver is spending the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Silver. He is studying for his Ph.D. in history and political science at the University of Illinois.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Kroot will be the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Rosenfield for the holiday week.

Mrs. Abe Pozner is spending two weeks in Baltimore, Md., with her brother, Charles Kaplan. While there she will attend her niece's wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kahn will have as their holiday guests, Mrs. Kahn's father, L. W. Landman, and her brother, Jack Landman, of New York.

## Indianapolis Date Clearance Bureau

Tuesday, December 26

2:00 p. m.—Joint meeting of Young Judaea Groups—Beth-El.  
2:00 p. m. to 4 p. m.—Open House and Tea—Joseph and Anna Borinstein Home for the Aged.

Wednesday, December 27

9:30 p. m.—Regular Board meeting, Council of Jewish Women—Kirshbaum.

Thursday, December 28

2:00 p. m.—Annual Family party of Monument Chapter, No. 549, O. E. S., Masonic Temple.  
8:00 p. m.—B'nai B'rith Election—Kirshbaum.

Sunday, December 31

10:30 p. m.—Jewish Junior League annual dinner-dance—Spencer Hotel, Marion, Ind.

Sunday, January 7

2:30 p. m.—Junior Council regular meeting—Kirshbaum.  
8:00 p. m.—Gold Band meeting—Beth-El.  
8:15 p. m.—Kirshbaum Forum.

Wednesday, January 10

8:00 p. m.—Annual joint meeting of Sisterhood, Brotherhood and T. Y. P. L.—Tenth Street Temple.

Sunday, January 14

Beth El Sisterhood cafeteria dinner.

Wednesday, January 24

8:00 p. m.—Card party for "Save-a-Life" League of Los Angeles Sanatorium—Indiana Power and Light Building.

Wednesday, January 31

8:00 p. m.—Junior Hadassah card party.

Sunday, February 4

8:00 p. m.—Indianapolis Central Youth Council Jamboree—Kirshbaum.

Sunday, February 11

2:30 p. m.—Junior Council regular meeting—Kirshbaum.  
8:15 p. m.—Kirshbaum Forum.

Sunday, March 10

Kirshbaum Forum.

Sunday, March 24

J. E. A. Purim Ball—Kirshbaum.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schuchman announce the engagement of their daughter Sarah to Dr. Melvin Lichtenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Lichtenberg. The wedding date has not yet been set. Mr. and Mrs. Schuchman will entertain with a dinner and theatre party Monday evening, Dec. 25 in honor of their daughter's twentieth birthday. There will be eighteen guests.

Mr. and Mrs. David Klain and son Stanley spent last week-end in Connersville, visiting Mrs. Klain's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Friedman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Leventhal left Thursday for Miami Beach, Fla., where they will stay for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Berger spent last week-end in Lafayette visiting Mr. Berger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Israel Berger.

Miss Adeline Fishman of New York, will arrive Saturday to spend several days with her mother, Mrs. Esther Fishman.

Mr. and Mrs. Sultan G. Cohen spent last week-end in Louisville, visiting Mr. Cohen's mother, Mrs. Anna Cohen.

## TO WED SUNDAY

Miss Ruth Charlotte Ehrlich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ehrlich has chosen Sunday, Dec. 24 as the date of her marriage to Samuel Harold Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Green. The ceremony will be performed at Beth El Temple in the presence of the immediate families only. Rabbi Elias Charry and Cantor Myro Glass will officiate.

Miss Carolyn Strauss has returned from a week's visit in Fort Wayne, where she was the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Lebensburger, and Dr. and Mrs. Morris Himmelstein. Mrs. Himmelstein is the former Annette Katz of this city.

Mrs. Gus P. Rosen and son Mickey, and Mrs. William Schwartz will spend the holidays in Florida. They expect to be away a month, stopping in New Orleans before returning home.

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## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Galsky are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Arlene, Monday, Dec. 18, at St. Vincent's Hospital. Mrs. Galsky is the former Bertha Plotkin of South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Epstein announce the birth of a son Saturday, Dec. 16, at the Methodist Hospital. Mrs. Epstein is the former Sylvia Weissman.

Cocktail Party  
For Miss Lurvey

Miss Rosalie Lurvey arrived home last Wednesday from Goucher College, Baltimore, Md., for the holiday vacation. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Lurvey, 5417 N. Meridian, will entertain from 4 to 7 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 24, with a cocktail party in their home, for their daughter and her friends. No cards have been issued.

Mrs. Victor Goldberg has returned from a two weeks' visit at Old Meadows Milk Farm at Lake Villa, Ill.

BOOK CLUB  
TO LUNCH

The Book Club will give its annual Christmas luncheon party on Wednesday, Dec. 27, at Broadmoor Country Club. Katherine Turney Garten will speak.

Reception, Tea Dance  
For College Students

The Temple Young People's League of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation has arranged a home coming reception and tea dance for all college students at 3 p. m. to 5 p. m. Sunday, in the social room of the Temple, Tenth and Delaware.

Mrs. Louis J. Borinstein has returned from Philadelphia, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. E. I. Meyer, and Mr. Meyer.

Walton and Paul Sicanoff will attend the A. Z. A. Tri-State Convention at Columbus, Ohio, this week-end.

Adelaide Mankofsky of St. Louis is spending the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Hirsch, 3835 Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sicanoff and daughter Miriam will visit Mrs. Sicanoff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Mull, in Fort Wayne this week-end.

Claire Mitchell will leave Sunday for St. Louis, where she will be the guest of Mrs. Max Yaffe for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Julian are spending this week-end in Louisville.

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**O. E. S. PLANS PARTY**  
Monument Chapter, No. 549, O. E. S., will hold its annual Christmas and family party at 2:30 p. m., Thursday, Dec. 28, at the Masonic Temple, North and Illinois streets. Children of members only are invited. For further information, call Mrs. Goldie Friedman at TA. 5617.

**WRITERS HELP REFUGEES**  
By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
NEW YORK—The Peretz Ve-rein, Jewish writers' organization, has launched a campaign for funds to aid Jewish refugee writers in Europe. The Jewish Labor Committee is cooperating in the drive.

### Time Limit Extended For Passports' Use

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
LONDON—It was understood here that as a result of negotiations, Palestine High Commissioner Sir Harold A. MacMichael has agreed to extend the validity of unused immigration certificates from the entry schedule which expired at the end of September. The certificates are now valid until March 1, 1940.

Siegfried Hoofien, director of the Anglo-Palestine Bank, has discussed with treasury and colonial office officials the amelioration of Palestine's economic position. He was said to have discussed the possibility of restoring financial arrangements cancelled after the outbreak of the war, such as the Tel Aviv municipal loan, various grants and subsidies for economic developments and also government assistance to meet the present situation by aid along such lines as shipping, the scarcity of which has seriously affected Palestine citrus exportation.

### Citizenship Service Shows Fine Results

The committee on naturalization advisory service at the Communal Building reports good results in assisting many non-citizens in securing the rank and privileges of citizenship. The service is offered without charge and is operated jointly by the National Council of Jewish Women, the B'nai B'rith, and the Jewish Community Center Association. In many instances of doubtful citizenship status, it was said, the committee has been able to clear up disputed points and to advise on the correct procedure, thereby saving the applicants worry, time and expense. This service is available at the Communal Building office at all times.

Advisers on the technicalities of naturalization procedure are in attendance on Sundays from 10:30 a. m. to noon and at other times by appointment.

For further information call any of the following: Miss Frances Mazur, Harrison 4948; Harold M. Cohen, Harrison 0372, or the Communal Building, Lincoln 6513.

### EXHIBIT OF RASHI

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
NEW ORK.—More than 100 books and manuscripts of Rashi and his historians have been assembled in a public exhibition at the Museum of the Jewish Theological Seminary in celebration of the 900th anniversary of the birth of the great French-Hebrew scholar.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sagalowsky spent last week-end with relatives in Chicago.

### With Jewish Students at INDIANA and PURDUE

#### THAELES SORORITY Purdue University

LAFAYETTE.—The girls of Thaeles sorority have been busy lately preparing for their Christmas vacation. Everyone is packing early because they just can't miss their trains to Texas, New York, Wisconsin and various other home states.

In the wee hours of Sunday morning, Dec. 17, the actives devoured their three-foot salami, while the pledges entertained them at their farewell party. Amusing gifts were exchanged. The pledges distributed their bulletin to the actives after the party.

Mrs. Pearlman, of Lafayette, has consented to become the advisor of our sorority. Mrs. Pearlman, having attended Purdue has among her many acquaintances many members of the Purdue faculty.

The sorority held its annual tea for the faculty members on Sunday, Dec. 10. About seventy-five members were entertained. The decorations were carried out in the sorority colors.

#### INDIANA U. HILLEL

BLOOMINGTON.—The second annual Hillel Stunt Show was held in the Music Auditorium last Sunday evening and proved to be a great success. The trophy for the best stunt was awarded to the girls of Memorial Hall who produced at clever sketch called "Torrid Tunes" in which they brought to life some famous women in history. The sketch was directed by Edna Schultz of Terre Haute. Those participating were: Jeanette Pass of Gary, Lorraine Netter of Warsaw, Evelyn Pinkus of Fort Wayne, Shirley Gray of Gary, Ann Bloom of Mount Vernon, New York, Helen Newmark of Attica, and Lillian Fogel of Patterson, New Jersey.

Close competition for the winner was provided by the Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity and the Sigma Phi Upsilon Sorority.

The Judges were Mr. and Mrs. Irving Fell and Miss Marie Kan. The affair was under the joint chairmanship of Miss Schultz and Albert Kosnoff of Goshen.

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## Schwartz To Head S.A.M. Alumni Club

The Alumni Club of Sigma Alpha Mu, meeting Tuesday night at the Antlers Hotel, elected Abner Schwartz president for the coming year. Other officers elected were: Vice president, Nathan Regensstreif; secretary, Henry Silber, and treasurer, Meyer Efrogmson.

Preliminary plans were made for the annual state dance to be held the latter part of March.

### Kirshbaum Notes

Gay, colorful yarn dolls, the work of youngsters in the Girls' Handicraft class, have been on exhibition at Kirshbaum Center during the past week and have brought forth many flattering comments. The children are completing work on this project and are making plans for felt-trimmed belts and jewelry. The class meets every Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.

The Jewish Community Center Association gratefully acknowledges a contribution to the Memorial Fund in memory of Philip Adler, Sr., and Mrs. Fannie Liepold, by Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Kahn.

### Athletic Activities

Two of the most exciting games of this season's intramural schedule were played before a large crowd of enthusiastic rooters last Sunday afternoon. A thrilling, last-minute victory by the White team over the Yellows marked the first game, the score being 22 to 17. J. Zuckerman, Bernstein and Weiss starred for the White team, while D. Cohen and Velonis starred for the Yellows, with Maierman playing a good floor game.

The second game, however, topped the high record set earlier in the afternoon, when the Blues, formerly in last place, defeated the league-leading Reds in an overtime battle, 37-35. Outstanding on the Blue team was the brilliant shooting of Amos Nahmias, who scored 23 points. He was ably aided by Bob Greenberg, Gene Zuckerman, and Harry Einsteadig. Abe Zuckerman and Al Greenberg starred for the Reds, and Stolkin, Calderon, and Ecktmann also showed up well.

The league standing follows:

	W.	L.
Reds .....	3	1
Whites .....	3	1
Yellows .....	1	3
Blues .....	1	3

The next game is scheduled for 2 p. m., Sunday, Jan. 7. There will be no games on Dec. 24 or 31.

### Greenberg Awarded Phi Beta Kappa Key

Richard Greenberg, son of Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Greenberg, and grandson of Mrs. B. Fishbein, was recently awarded a Phi Beta Kappa key by the national honorary scholastic fraternity at Penn State, where he is studying for his Ph.D. degree in chemical engineering.

Mr. Greenberg is a graduate of Shortridge High School and Purdue, and took his Master's degree at the University of Illinois.

Between July 1, 1932, and Dec. 30, 1938, there has been a total permanent immigration into this country of 65,404 persons from Germany and Austria, less than a third of the number permitted to enter under the quota.

Ignorance is the blessing that prevents many people from acquiring wisdom.

### Entertainments

Rivoli—Sunday through Wednesday, Gary Cooper in "The Real Glory" and Bette Davis in "Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex." Thursday through Sunday, James Stewart in "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," Jane Withers in "Pack Up Your Troubles."

Emerson—Sunday through Wednesday, Bob Hope in "Cat and Canary," and Jackie Cooper in "What a Life." Thursday through Saturday, "U Boat 29," with Valerie Hobson, and Jack Holt in "Hidden Power."

Esquire—Thursday through Saturday, Bette Davis in "The Old Maid," and Anna Neagle in "Nurse Edith Cavell." Sunday through Wednesday, Tyrone Power in "The Rains Came," and Joe Penner in "The Day Bookies Wept."

Sheridan—Sunday through Wednesday, Dorothy Lamour in "Disputed Passage," and Martha Raye in "\$1,000 a Touchdown." Thursday through Saturday, Joel McCrea in "Espionage Agent," and Jackie Cooper in "What a Life."

Parker—Sunday through Tuesday, Carole Lombard in "In Name Only," and Louis Hayward in "Man in the Iron Mask." Wednesday and Thursday, Katherine Hepburn in "Little Women," and Boris Karloff in "Mr. Wong in Chinatown." Friday and Saturday, Spencer Tracy in "Stanley and Livingstone," and Ann Sothern in "Hotel for Women."

### Baths, Massage Help Upset Nerve Systems

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### Hadassah Group Hears Charry Review Book

"The Answer," by Ludwig Lewishon, was reviewed by Rabbi Elias Charry at the meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Group of Hadassah, last Wednesday night at Kirshbaum. Sylvia Ecktmann presided and introduced Rabbi Charry after a brief business session.

The next meeting of the Study Group will be held at 8 p. m., Wednesday, Jan. 10, at the home of Miss Ecktmann.

## SOCIETY

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### Many Parties For South Bend Brides

**SOUTH BEND, Ind.**—Two local brides-to-be are being feted at many lovely parties here. For Miss Charlotte Simon, who will be married Dec. 26, the week's calendar of events has been a breakfast given by Mrs. David Brazy of this city and Mrs. Isaac Hurwick of Kokomo, Ind., with places for 16 guests; a luncheon by Mrs. Sydney Liss, Mrs. Gustave Dalberg, and the Misses Miriam Alberts, Bette Feferman and Mildred Grossman; a dinner by Mrs. Eli Fink; a luncheon given jointly by Mrs. David Fishgrund and Mrs. Robert Fishgrund; a luncheon by Mrs. Lester Hurwich of Elkhart, Ind., and Mrs. Louis Wolfberg of Wakarusa, Ind., in the Oliver Hotel here; a luncheon by Mrs. Ben Firestein and Mrs. Harry Baillie; and a luncheon by Mrs. Louis Rosenstein of Mishawaka. On Thursday Miss Simon entertained the members of her bridal party, and on Monday night the bridal dinner will be given by Mrs. Leon Levy of Tucson, Ariz.

Miss Pauline Plotkin, who will become the bride of Louis Kaseff of Indianapolis on Sunday, was honored with a linen shower and bridge party by the Misses Virginia Tubbs and Marie Skinner. Among the guests were Mrs. Joseph Talbot, Mrs. Helen Erhart, Mrs. Ira Levy, Mrs. Samuel Plotkin, Mrs. Leo Plotkin, Mrs. Sidney Goldberg, Miss Lee Grillo, Miss Sylvia Nobel, Miss Blanche Gaskowski, and Miss Adeline Mishlove.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brill have as their guests for the holidays, their daughter, Mrs. Max Schottenstein, and children of Columbus, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Bolotin will spend the holiday week with their daughter, Mrs. Max Ganz, and Dr. Ganz, in Marion.

Mrs. Harry Cohen and daughter Dvera are leaving Monday for a two months' visit in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Joseph, 2108 North Meridian street, are visiting in St. Louis, Sedalia, and Kansas City, Mo. While in Sedalia, they will be the guests of Mrs. Joseph's mother, Mrs. Theresa Drohlich, and brothers, Robert and Albert Drohlich. They will attend the inauguration of Station KRDO, operated by the Drohlich Brothers, into the new Continental Network.

Mrs. Lou Price and daughter Judith Ann of St. Louis are visiting Mrs. Price's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Levinsky.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Friedman spent last week-end in Detroit as the guests of Mrs. Friedman's sister, Mrs. Sam Cohen, and Mr. Cohen.

Miss Rosalie Goodman of Terre Haute will spend a week in Chicago as the house guest of Miss Marian Mintz.

The holiday vacation brings many college students home to visit relatives and friends. Jacob William Julian arrived Wednesday from New Haven, Conn., where he attends Yale, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Julian. Miss Miriam Sicanoff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sicanoff, is home

from the University of Illinois. She will have as her guest this week-end, her classmate, Miss Georgette Cohen of Chicago. Also home from Illinois is Robert Borinstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Borinstein.

Miss Rosalyn Hochman is visiting Miss Betty Brodsky in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. H. A. Speyer entertained Thursday evening, Dec. 14, with an informal gathering in her home, in honor of the seventy-third birthday of her father, I. L. Oppenheimer.

Miss Inda Larman will be the guest of Miss Helen Alpert of Chicago for the holidays. Mrs. Charles Larman, accompanied by her son Leonard and niece Hilda, also will spend New Year's in Chicago.

Among students returning home for the holiday vacation are Sarah Elizabeth and Arnold Marks, children of Mrs. Isaac Marks. Miss Marks is majoring in piano under Rudolph Ganz at the Chicago Musical College, where she is a holder of the Ditson scholarship, and Arnold attends Indiana University.

Sigurd Rosenfield is home from Northwestern University to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Rosenfield.

David Tavel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Tavel, is vacationing here from his studies at Chicago University.

### DELTA RHO MEETS

The regular meeting of Delta Rho Sorority was held Thursday night at the home of Miss Evelyn Dorfman, with a Chanukah "grab bag" as the central theme. Refreshments and a social hour followed.

Mrs. Helena Luria, formerly of Libau, Litvia, has returned to Chicago after spending several weeks as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Joseph Hyman.

### Open House And Tea At Borinstein Home

The regular meeting of the Association of the Joseph and Anna Borinstein Home for the Aged will be held in the form of open house and tea from 2 to 4 p. m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, at the Home. Mrs. Samuel Dorfman, president, will give the greeting, and the program will include readings by Sylvia Madiel and harp solos by Joan Miller.

Mrs. L. Frankowitz and Mrs. S. A. Silberman will pour. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

### Young Judaea Groups To Hear Hillel Head

Rabbi David Pollish, director of the Hillel Foundation at Cornell University, will be the guest speaker, and will lead a panel discussion at an open meeting of all Young Judaea groups, at 2:00 p. m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, at Beth El Temple. Rabbi Pollish is a graduate of Hebrew Union College and is a former national vice-president of Young Judaea.

The program also includes awarding badges for the merit system, singing of Hebrew songs and Palestinian dances. Refreshments will be served, and this meeting is open to the public.

A buffet supper at the Temple for Young Judaea leaders will conclude the day's activities.

Presents make the heart grow fonder.

### GOLD BAND-ERS MEET

The monthly meeting of The Gold Band was held last Sunday night in the vestry rooms of Beth El Temple. During the short business meeting, the initial draft of the constitution was presented by Harry Vinstein, chairman of the constitution committee. Harry Klezmer announced plans for the New Year's Eve party.

Max Einsteadig, program chairman, presented the social hour which followed, including an open forum discussion led by Rabbi Elias Charry, imitations by Phil Levant, a Coca Cola drinking contest, won by Harry Cooper, and a playlet, "Oh, Doctor." The cast of the play included Mr. and Mrs. Harry Klezmer, Albert Meyers, Jack Kolinger, Max Einsteadig, and Sidney Levi.

The next board meeting will be held at 8:00 p. m., Saturday, Dec. 23, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Regen, and the next regular meeting will be at 8:00 p. m., Sunday, Jan. 7 at the Temple.

### FREEMAN-SPICER

**SOUTH BEND, Ind.**—Announcement is made here of the engagement of Miss Elinor Freeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Freeman, 1515 East Colfax avenue, and Eli Spicer, of Davenport, Ia., son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Spicer of St. Paul, Minn. Mr. Spicer has visited here frequently and is well known in South Bend. Miss Freeman was graduated from St. Mary's academy here and Mr. Spicer attended the University of Minnesota. The date for the wedding has not been announced.

Until the 16th century the Jews of Egypt dated all documents according to the Seleucid era.

### PIONEER WOMEN

**SOUTH BEND, Ind.**—The Pioneer Women's organization here is busy with preparations for a supper to be given Jan. 7, in the Hebrew Institute. Mrs. Charles Roth and Mrs. Louis Reisman are co-chairmen in charge of the arrangements.

### BOARD TO MEET

Mrs. Sultan G. Cohen will preside at the regular board meeting of the Indianapolis Section, Council of Jewish Women, to be held at 9:30 a. m., Wednesday, Dec. 27, at Kirshbaum.

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#### OPEN LETTERS

##### WARDEN LAWES

Please ask No. 97,362 (Fritz Kuhn, if you've forgotten) whether it is all right with him if we refer to a totalitarian bull-thrower as an ism-atador.

##### JOHN L. LEWIS

Look Magazine tips that Dave Dubinsky, ILGWU chieftain who has made a success as an impresario, is the outstanding candidate for the role of peace-maker between you and Bill Green.

##### DENTAL ASSOCIATION

Have you heard the story about the Jewish refugee who, as he was crossing the border on his way out of Germany, tried to stop the Nazi customs official from inspecting a small parcel in his baggage? . . . The parcel contained five sets of store teeth. . . Intrigued and suspicious, the Nazi asked the Jew why he needed five sets. . . "One," the refugee replied, "is for milchiks. The second is for fleischiks. "The third is for pareveh (neither milchiks nor fleischiks). And the fourth is for pesachdiks." . . . "But what about the fifth set," the guard demanded. "Oh that," the Jewish refugee replied hesitantly, "is for ham."

##### ROMAN (JTA JERUSALEM) SLOBODIN

Your kid brother, Dick, made a hit the other night on the Fred Allen radio program. . . He told about his recent trip to Alaska, where he studied an Eskimo tribe that had hitherto escaped the attention of scientists.

##### FRITZ KUHN

There's a scramble among the race-teers for your Bundits. . . Joe McWilliams, of the Un-Christian Mobilizers, appears to have the inside track—such as it is.

##### PROF. MORRIS R. COHEN

Is it true that the new exec. sec. of your Conference on Jewish Relations—who'll succeed Melvin Fagen—will be a rising young American historian who is relatively unknown in the Jewish field?

##### ADMIRAL BYRD

In the biography of Julius Rosenwald by M. R. Werner (Harper) we learned that you gave the late merchant-philanthropist of Sears, Roebuck fame a chance to show what a good sport he was. . . When he discovered that, although he had contributed generously to your Antarctic expedition, you had used Montgomery Ward supplies in outfitting your ship, he didn't get sore. . . He was only amused by the irony of it.

##### MAURICE JACOBS

We didn't know until we began reading "The Jew in the Literature of England," by Montagu F. Modder (Jewish Publication Society)—who is a Christian, by the way—that the author of Robinson Crusoe was quite an anti-Semite in his day. . . And didn't bother to conceal it in his writings.

##### ROY L. SMITH

The next time you are in town to preach will you please let Peters know. . . After having read your excellent little volume "Desert Democracy" (Abingdon Press) which tells vividly the story of the Jews' history-making struggle for those democratic ideals which we so cherish today, he would like to meet you and hear you do your stuff in the pulpit. . . You are now his favorite Methodist columnist-preacher.

##### WISH MASH

Wasn't that a venomous poke Westbrook Pegler took at his departing colleague Heywood Broun, on the eve of the latter's shift to George Backer's New York Post. . . It ranks (rank is the word) with his notorious column—written in the early days of his columning career—condoning the gentle practice of lynching. . . Arthur Lourie, political secretary to Weizmann, arrived in this country by plane from England the other day to pave the way for his chief's visit. . . Israel Malkin is no longer auditor of the Z. O. A., a post he held for 22 years. . . Condolences to Joe and Alex Brin on the death of their mother. . . The Christian Affront (as Samuel McCrea Cavert calls it) is sending through the mails viciously anti-Jewish "Christmas greetings." . . Seems to me Postmaster General Farley ought to do something about it. . . The Y. M. C. A. reveals that about nine per cent of its members in New York City are Jews. . . Wonder why there were no Social Justice salesmen on hand to peddle the Coughlin rag around Madison Square Garden the other night at that great rally to protest the Nazi and Red shenanigans. . . H. R. Knickerbocker, the ace correspondent, is an admirer of the young Revisionists in Palestine. . . In a telegram to Mrs. John Gunther regretting his inability to attend a meeting at her home of the American Friends of Jewish Palestine, he said he had been "much impressed by their intelligence, courage and hardihood."

### 250,000 DEAD

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subjected to beatings and humiliation by Gestapo officials while waiting. The victims include women who are allegedly beaten and put in solitary confinement cells when they protest against physical maltreatment in the Gestapo waiting room.

Reviewing the inhuman treatment of Jews by the Nazis in occupied Poland, the document asserts that at least 80 per cent of the remaining 1,250,000 Jews in the Nazi territory have been reduced to complete beggary.

The White Book estimates that a majority of the 40,000 Jews who attempted to escape from Warsaw during the Nazi bombardment were killed by Nazi bombs in the suburbs of the former Polish capital. This is in addition, the document states, to 30,000 who perished in Warsaw during and after the Nazi occupation.

The White Book charges that cities populated chiefly by Jews were burned down completely, that Nazis executed 400 Jews in the public market place of the township Lukow, that a similar execution took place in Kalushin and other Jewish-populated towns, and that uncounted numbers of Jews died as a result of torture inflicted by Gestapo agents while working on forced labor projects.

#### Many Are Suicides

The document dwells at length on the Nazi plan to set up ghettos and the Lublin "reservation." It charges also that German soldiers are forcing Jews from the "reservation" into neighboring Soviet Poland.

It was established that more than 2,500 Jews have committed suicide in German-occupied Poland, as Polish government sources reported the execution of 616 Jews by Nazis in two Polish cities. The suicides included more than 1,300 in Warsaw, more than 600 in Lodz, 80 in Lublin, more than 60 in Bendin, more than 60 in Czeszochowa, 45 in Lomza, 30 in Tomazow, and 25 in Kutno.

The Polish sources stated that 600 Jews were executed last week in Ostrow-Mazowieck and 16 in Lodz. No further details were given. In Lodz, the same sources said, 1,600 carloads of confiscated Jewish textiles last week were shipped into the interior of the Reich.

#### BRITISH JEWRY ELECTS

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persons who are not members of the board.

The board then voted immediate appointment of the committee to comprise the executive officers and joint chairmen of the Joint Foreign Committee, the chairman of the law and parliamentary committee, and five other members of the board.

#### Press Hails Choice

By Jewish Telegraphic Agency

JERUSALEM.—Hebrew newspapers welcomed the election of Prof. Selig Brodetsky as president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, hailing it as a victory for Zionism over assimilationism.

The laborite Davar said the election symbolized the victory of democracy in Anglo-Jewish leadership and aroused the hope that the Board would increase its assistance in Palestine upbuilding work. The independent Haaretz said it marked the triumph of Eastern European and the East End Jew. David Ben Gurion, chairman of the Jerusalem Executive of the Jewish Agency, cabled his congratulations.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 1606-A.1.  
In the matter of the joint petition of Public Service Company of Indiana and Suburban Lines, Inc., for approval of the sale and transfer of certificate, No. 587-A.1, from Public Service Company of Indiana to Suburban Lines, Inc.  
Notice is hereby given that the Public Service Commission will conduct public hearing in this cause in Rooms of Commission, 401 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind., 9 a. m., Tuesday, January 2, 1940.  
Public participation is requested.  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,**  
By James D. Collins, Examiner.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19, 1939.

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 1611-A.1.  
In the matter of the joint petition of Frank Goldapp, d/b/a Goldapp Transportation Company, and Iowa-Nebraska Transportation Company, Inc., for approval of the sale and transfer of certificate, No. 1265-A.1, from Frank Goldapp, d/b/a Goldapp Transportation Company, to Iowa-Nebraska Transportation Company, Inc.  
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### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 1607-A.1.  
Application of J. S. Staker, McConnellsville, Ohio, for a certificate to operate motor vehicles as a common carrier of property, interstate, from Indiana-Ohio state line to Indianapolis over Highway 40, from the Indiana-Ohio state line to the Indiana-Kentucky state line over Highways 50 and 31.  
Notice is hereby given that the Public Service Commission will conduct public hearing in this cause in Rooms of Commission, 401 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind., 9 a. m., Tuesday, January 2, 1940.  
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By James D. Collins, Examiner.  
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### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 1608-A.1.  
Application of Q. B. Mitchell, Fairfield, Ill., for a certificate to operate motor vehicles as a common carrier, interstate, over all federal, state and county highways in Indiana for the transportation of oil and gas field machinery equipment and supplies.  
Notice is hereby given that the Public Service Commission will conduct public hearing in this cause in Rooms of Commission, 401 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind., 10 a. m., Tuesday, January 2, 1940.  
Public participation is requested.  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,**  
By James L. Beatty, Director  
Motor Vehicle Department.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19, 1939.

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 1336-B.1.  
Application of Felix Kaski, d/b/a Western Motor Service, Chicago, Ill., for a permit to operate motor vehicles as a contract carrier of property, interstate, between the Indiana-Illinois state line and Hammond over city streets, and return.  
Notice is hereby given that the Public Service Commission will conduct public hearing in this cause in Rooms of Commission, 401 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind., 10 a. m., Tuesday, January 2, 1940.  
Public participation is requested.  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,**  
By James L. Beatty, Director  
Motor Vehicle Department.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19, 1939.

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 300-A.13.  
Application of Indiana Motor Bus Company, Plymouth, for a certificate to operate motor vehicles as a common carrier of passengers, intrastate, between North Manchester and Fort Wayne over Highways 13 and 14, passing through and serving North Manchester, Liberty Mills, Collamer, South Whitley, Maple Grove and Fort Wayne.  
Notice is hereby given that the Public Service Commission will conduct public hearing in this cause in Rooms of Commission, 401 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind., 2 p. m., Wednesday, January 3, 1940.  
Public participation is requested.  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,**  
By Harold C. Mull, Secretary.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19, 1939.

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 287-A.6.  
Application of Federal Express, Inc., Lima, Ohio, for a certificate to operate motor vehicles as a common carrier of property, interstate, extending through or into cities and towns over Highways 67, 49, 41, 24, 51, 37, 32, 30, 9, 167, 18, 27, 224, 1, 3, 62, serving off-route points of Jonesboro, Gas City and Elwood, and to all points in Allen and Marion counties.  
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### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 1610-A.1.  
In the matter of the joint petition of Indiana-Missouri Freight Lines, Inc., and St. Louis-Indianapolis Freight Lines, Inc., for approval of the sale and transfer of certificates, Nos. 967-A.1 and 967-A.2, from Indiana-Missouri Freight Lines, Inc., to St. Louis-Indianapolis Freight Lines, Inc.  
Notice is hereby given that the Public Service Commission will conduct public hearing in this cause in Rooms of Commission, 401 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind., 10 a. m., Tuesday, January 2, 1940.  
Public participation is requested.  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,**  
By James L. Beatty, Director  
Motor Vehicle Department.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19, 1939.

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 74-A.2.  
Application of Volney Lay, d/b/a Lay Trucking Company, La Porte, for a certificate to operate motor vehicles as a common carrier, interstate, over all federal, state and county highways in Indiana, hauling road graders, combines, harvesters, separators, clover hullers, tractors, plows, cultivators, and parts thereof.  
Notice is hereby given that the Public Service Commission will conduct public hearing in this cause in Rooms of Commission, 401 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind., 9 a. m., Wednesday, January 3, 1940.  
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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,**  
By James D. Collins, Examiner.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19, 1939.

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Public Service Commission Docket No. 459-A.3.  
Application of Volney Lay, d/b/a Lay Trucking Company, La Porte, for a certificate to operate motor vehicles as a common carrier, intrastate, over all federal, state and county highways in Indiana, hauling road graders, combine harvesters, separators, clover hullers, tractors, plows, cultivators, and parts thereof.  
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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,**  
By James D. Collins, Examiner.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19, 1939.

### THEODORE R. DANN, Attorney

#### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has duly qualified as executor of estate of Sarah Lipschitz, deceased, late of Marion County, Indiana. Said estate is supposed to be solvent.  
GEORGE S. GLAZER.  
No. 117-41827. 12-8-3

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### NOTICE TO CREDITORS, SHAREHOLDERS AND ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

State of Indiana, County of Marion, ss:  
In the Superior Court of Marion County, Room No. 3.  
No. A-93348.  
Ralph Kennedy et al. vs. Trava-Tours, Inc.  
The creditors, shareholders and all interested persons are hereby notified that the receiver of Trava-Tours, Inc., has filed his final report and accounting for the period beginning May 19, 1938, and ending December 13, 1939; that said report will be heard and determined on January 15, 1940, at 10 o'clock a. m. Any person or persons interested may file objections to said report in writing on or before January 13, 1940, or be forever barred therefrom.  
CHARLES R. ETTINGER,  
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## HEBREW CALENDAR

Purim.....March 23  
Passover.....April 23-30  
Shevuoth.....June 12, 13  
Chamisho Osor B'Shevat...Jan. 25  
Lag B'Omer.....May 26

### Editor's Chair:

When Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, in a speech several weeks ago, warned that we should be careful not to allow our actions to be dominated by fear, she uttered an admonition that I'm afraid it will be impossible to follow.

Just recently I was going through some old files of the paper, and I came across an article which was headed, "The New Deal Drafts the Jewish Brain." I read the article with astonishment. Had I had the temerity to print such an article? What did the readers think? Then I remembered that the article had appeared in the days when Jews had not been afraid of their every move, and had taken justifiable pride in all the big Jewish men who were prominent in government circles. Were I to print that story today, probably every reader this paper has would be incensed.

Another incident comes to mind. Down here in Tampa, Fla., in my mother-in-law's house, there is a 11-year-old girl who goes to Lee School. She came home one day and told her mother that one of her playmates, whom she had liked particularly, was taunting her and asking repeatedly, "Were you born in Europe?" It developed that the teacher of the class had asked the children how many of them were Christians. When no hands were raised, the teacher asked the class to look up the word, whereupon all, except the one girl, promptly declared they were Christians. Then the teacher asked the one girl, "Are you Jewish?" to which she replied in the affirmative.

Now it seemed to be that the teacher should be reported. Certainly the teacher should not have asked the little girl if she were Jewish. And it seemed to me that even the first question was entirely unnecessary. But it so happened that my wife was listening to the incident, and having taught at Lee School, knew the little girl's teacher intimately. She said that it probably never occurred to the teacher that she was doing anything out of the ordinary.

The entire incident has a moral. We Jews, much as we should be on our guard, should also be careful that we are not over-sensitive and impute to persons or incidents motives or intent that never was there in the first place. We must realize that we are nervous and skittish, and that we cannot think straight on many things. It's no fun these days worrying about whether you're right in keeping quiet, or just cowardly. But I believe that, like it or not, too many of our thought processes are being dominated by fear, and when I'm worried on this score, I always choose the other alternative, which makes some people think I'm being too foolhardy.

# Editorial Pages

## Tuition A Mistake

THE survey of the Jewish Education Association appearing in the last two issues of The Post must have convinced readers of two salient points: One that the Jewish Education Association under the leadership of Meyer Gallin is doing a very competent job, and, second, that in the J. E. A. the Indianapolis Jewish community has assumed full responsibility for the Jewish education of its young.

One point, however, deserves consideration. When, in 1929, the J. E. A. under the direction of the Jewish Welfare Fund imposed tuition for those attending the J. E. A.'s schools, and the enrollment dropped from the then high of 324 to the 222 mark in 1932, it must have been evident that a mistake had been made. The problem is to encourage attendance in every possible way, and

when almost a third of the students drop out of school, then the factor that brought about that situation should have been investigated.

The point that parents should be willing to pay for their children's education does not obtain here at all. Everyone pays taxes for public schools, and to attempt to collect a toll for Jewish education was almost bound to meet with defeat.

There is no guarantee, however, that the elimination of tuition will automatically increase attendance at the J. E. A.'s schools, but certainly the point is well taken that at least for a two-year period no tuition fee should be charged anyone. At present the J. E. A. is receiving approximately \$1,000 a year from tuition. This additional money should be forthcoming from the welfare fund, and if attendance does increase, then tuition should be forgotten forever.

## A Minimum Jew

**B**ELEAGUERED from without by anti-Semites, the Jew is also the object of a steady stream of criticism from within because of his defection from practices which make him a Jew as distinguished from a non-Jew. In an attempt to delineate those attributes which make a minimum "good Jew," but without any presumption to authority, this paper lists the minimum characteristics without which an individual could hardly be expected to be included as a "good Jew":

(a) Attends at least one Friday night service per month in addition to all important holiday services.

(b) Is a member of a synagogue and at least one other Jewish organization, such as the B'nai B'rith, his Jewish community center, Zionist district, etc.

(c) Gives at least as much as one week's income to his annual united Jewish campaign.

(d) Sends his children to Hebrew school perhaps, but certainly to Sunday school.

(e) Subscribes to at least one Jewish publication.

Other questions include observance of Kashruth, allegiance to Zionism, knowledge of Jewish history, but to add these would make the "good Jew" group as small as the total number of legendary "Tzadikim."

Over half of the United States Jews fall out of our classification on one point alone, that of membership in a congregation, but how could any group still be called Jewish without this stipulation?

Readers are invited to agree or disagree, or submit lists of their own.

## Current Comment

**Jewish Agencies Help Christian Refugees, the Jewish Advocate, Boston, Points Out**—Into the office of the Jewish Advocate each week come numerous refugees, some of them just arrived in Boston and seeking local contacts, others here for a longer period of time and searching merely to become oriented to their new surroundings.

It is surprising to note that a number of these refugees are not Jews but Christians. One of them, when asked why he came to a Jewish newspaper for assistance, replied frankly that he had gone to officials of his own faith first but they had been unable to do anything for him, inasmuch as they were not prepared to deal with the refugee situation.

The fact remains that all the Jewish agencies engaged in offering assistance to those who have fled from Europe because of race, religion or espousal of liberal causes, have been caring for a tremendous number of non-Jews. The American Friends Service Committee, Quaker group which is one of the few non-Jewish bodies engaged in refugee aid, estimates that in 1938 31 per cent of all refugees from Germany were Christians, just as much victims of Hitler as the Jews. Propagandists in America freely use the words "Jewish refugees," and thoughtless Americans, taken in by the trick, quite forget the 31 per cent and more who are not Jews.

As a result, the burden of caring for these Christian refugees, welcoming them to these shores, clothing them, feeding them, finding jobs for them, educating them, has fallen upon the shoulders of Jewish agencies. No question of religion is asked by these agencies. If the applicant is an unfortunate victim of foreign persecution and seeks to build his life here anew he qualifies for assistance.

**The New Palestine Takes a Rap at Rabbi Lazon**—Once upon a time, Rabbi Morris Lazon of Baltimore was a registered Zionist, but has in recent years been renegade to that ideal and active in propaganda against Zionism. He possesses the vindictiveness of one who now hates that which he once professed to love. He has spoken from pulpits and written letters to the secular

press and sought to raise prejudices against Zionism on the ground that it implies nationalism and thus deserves to be included in the general condemnation of the chauvinistic nationalisms that rule in the totalitarian states. What he writes and says is stimulation to the drooping spirits of the small anti-Zionist remnant that still survives in the United States but which lacks public advocacy.

What the Baltimore rabbi says ordinarily has become of little importance and little interest. But last week, speaking on the radio under the auspices of the "Message of Israel" hour, he ventured opinions on matters involving the hospitality that American Jewry proposes to extend to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency. Speaking to a great audience of Jews and Christians, he expressed the opinion that it would be most unfortunate for Dr. Weizmann to visit the United States at this time. In Rabbi Lazon's view, the projected visit is bound to have political implications with which, he said, "the majority of American Jews do not wish to have any concern"; and he voiced the earnest hope that the projected visit of Dr. Weizmann "will be dropped," or, should any conferences be arranged (despite Rabbi Lazon's advice to the contrary), they should be sponsored only by those who are "political Zionists or proponents of a World Jewish Congress."

The coming of Dr. Weizmann has been given wide publicity and has been received by the Jewish communities of the United States most favorably. Invitations have come from many important Jewish centers, and the interest in Dr. Weizmann's coming is shared by non-Zionists as well as Zionist groups. The expression of Rabbi Lazon's views on a national radio hook-up, counseling the cancellation of this important event, after announcement of the date of Dr. Weizmann's arrival has been made, is an unpardonable breach of the amenities, a tactless intrusion, and is bound to make a false impression on many uninformed American citizens, provoking a controversy in a situation where no controversy is discernible.

## WHAT THEY THINK

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be well to include in its body politic a representation of the Jewish youth, sufficient to reflect its views, ability and capacity to help in the solution of Jewish problems or in the execution of important activities.

"In my mind, the more vital question today is, how to educate the Jewish youth to understand his own people and to cope with current Jewish problems. No one can deny that among the youth there is a definite lack of knowledge, understanding, and interest in everything Jewish. This is a sad commentary, but true. It is more important, therefore, to create a desire for interest, and renewed activities will inevitably follow. Once this resurrection takes place, we will not be confronted with the problem of inadequate representation of youth in community circles. Such representation will be voluntarily invited and, I believe, actually demanded by the adult leadership."

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Told of a statement by Horace M. Kallen, of the New School for Social Research, in which Jewish fraternities are explained as a defense reaction against the refusal of non-Jewish Greek letter groups to admit Jews, Myron Glassner, prior of S. A. M. at Indiana University, replied:

"Fundamentally, there are two reasons for a Jewish fraternity: one, to give Jews the opportunity to live among their own people and thus learn the true meaning of being a Jew; and, second, the necessity that the needs of a college man for the associations of fraternity life be filled. The first reason listed above is best exemplified by a statement given me by a Jewish mother: 'My son must be allowed to live in your fraternity house. He has lived only with Gentiles since his very birth and I absolutely insist that he be given the opportunity to live among his own.' These words are more expressive than any elaboration that I could put upon them; so, I shall let them stand as stated.

"The second need for a Jewish fraternity does somewhat convict us upon the charge made. We do imitate the Gentile organized life. However, that imitation is only an organization to meet the social needs of the Jewish students even as similar organizations meet the needs of Gentile students. Those of us that are members of social fraternities feel that which we learn in the way of social education is second only to the academic training that we accumulate in the university itself. Thus, when the time came that large numbers of Jewish students were deprived of the social advantages of fraternal life due solely to the fact that they were born Jews, the Jewish fraternity was born to supply an apparent need.

"Also, as a matter of refutation, the Jewish fraternity is no more or less a form of ghettoed life than our Jewish country clubs, community centers, or even the B'nai B'rith itself. They were all organized to meet the need of the Jews that found they needed something of their own to counteract their exclusions due to prejudices. Thus, we stand convicted, but only to the extent that the above non-collegiate Jewish groups stand convicted."